## COUNTY OF YORK MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** November 24, 2003 (BOS Mtg. 12/16/03)

**TO:** York County Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** James O. McReynolds, County Administrator

**SUBJECT:** Refund of Taxes Erroneously Assessed

Section 58.1-3980 of the Code of Virginia provides that any taxpayer may apply to the appropriate assessing officer for refund of taxes paid as a result of an erroneous assessment. The application must be made within three years from the last day of the tax year for which the assessment was made. Therefore, an applicant may seek recovery of taxes for the current year and for the three prior tax years. If a penalty or interest has been paid by the taxpayer, that may be recovered also. The consent of the County Attorney to the refund must be obtained as required by Virginia Code § 58.1-3981. Any refund in excess of \$2,500 must be approved by the Board.

Attached is a request from Alpha Omega Change Engineering LLC for a refund in the amount of \$7,122.73, including interest, for business personal property taxes for the tax years 2000, 2001, and 2002. The reduction is the result of erroneous reporting of gross receipts actually generated within the City of Hampton and reportable to that city.

Please note the certification by the Treasurer as to payment of the taxes for which a refund is sought and the consent by the County Attorney for the refund or the partial refund permitted by law. Virginia Code § 58.1-3981 requires that the Board direct the Treasurer to make the refund after these prerequisites are satisfied. The attached proposed resolution directs the Treasurer to make the refund.

## Barnett/3440:swh Attachments

- Requests for Tax Refund
- Resolution R03-187